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SUBJECT: ZAIRIAN FONMIN UMBA'S MARCH 1 CALL ON SECRETARY
VANCE: SENIOR AMERICAN TRAVEL IN AFRICA.
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1. DURING COURSE OF CONVERSATION WITH SECRETARY (OTHER
SUBJECTS VIA SEPTELS WHERE APPROPRIATE), FOREIGN MINISTER
UMBA NOTED REPORTS THAT PRESIDENT CARTER IS PLANNING A
VISIT IN NIGERIA. WHILE SUCH A STOP WOULD BE "VERY GOOD",
UMBA SUGGESTED AN HOUR, OR EVEN A HALF HOUR STOPOVER IN
LIBREVILLE FOR A CHAT WITH PRESIDENT BONGO IN HIS CURRENT
CAPACITY AS HEAD OF THE OAU WOULD BE AN EFFECTIVE GESTURE
OF US SUPPORT "EVEN IF OAU IS NOT VERY EFFECTIVE RIGHT
NOW".

2. SECRETARY RESPONDED THAT PRESIDENT WAS UNDER SEVERE TIME
CONSTRAINTS SINCE HIS TRIP IS CRAMMED INTO A CONGRESSIONAL
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RECESS. HE ALSO NOTED THAT PRESIDENT BONGO IS, WITH THE
EXCEPTION OF GISCARD, THE ONLY CHIEF OF STATE WITH WHOM
PRESIDENT CARTER MET TWICE LAST YEAR. HE ADDED, HOWEVER,
THAT HE PERSONALLY FELT IT IS "VERY IMPORTANT" FOR AMERICAN
SENIOR OFFICIALS TO GET OUT AND VISIT AFRICAN COUNTRIES
BEYOND THOSE CURRENTLY INVOLVED IN FIGHTING AND CONFRON-
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